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# SASKATCHEWAN POPULATION

|      | January 1 | April 1 | July 1  | October 1 |
|------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|
|      | (' 000 )  |         |         |           |
| 1982 | 981.9     | 984.2   | 987.3   | 992.3     |
| 1983 | 994.6     | 997.9   | 1,001.9 | 1,005.9   |
| 1984 | 1,008.3   | 1,011.8 | 1,015.5 | 1,019.7   |
| 1985 | 1,021.0   | 1,022.9 | 1,025.5 | 1,027.7   |
| 1986 | 1,027.3   | 1,027.9 | 1,029.3 | 1,029.9   |
| 1987 | 1,029.9   | 1,031.6 | 1,032.7 | 1,031.9   |
| 1988 | 1,029.4   | 1,028.5 | 1,028.0 | 1,025.3   |
| 1989 | 1,021.3   | 1,020.2 | 1,019.2 | 1,015.6   |
| 1990 | 1,010.7   | 1,009.1 | 1,007.1 | 1,003.8   |
| 1991 | 1,002.3   | 1,002.8 | 1,002.7 | 1,000.9   |
| 1992 | 1,001.1   | 1,002.8 | 1,004.0 | 1,002.9   |
| 1993 | 1,003.4   | 1,005.0 | 1,006.9 | 1,007.0   |
| 1994 | 1,007.5   | 1,008.5 | 1,009.5 | 1,010.7   |
| 1995 | 1,011.7   | 1,012.7 | 1,014.1 | 1,015.3   |
| 1996 | 1,016.1   | 1,017.8 | 1,019.1 | 1,019.6   |
| 1997 | 1,018.5   | 1,017.8 | 1,018.1 | 1,017.6   |
| 1998 | 1,017.7   | 1,017.3 | 1,017.5 | 1,017.9   |
| 1999 | 1,017.1   | 1,015.9 | 1,014.7 | 1,012.8   |
| 2000 | 1,011.3   | 1,009.4 | 1,007.8 | 1,006.2   |
| 2001 | 1,003.7   | 1,001.8 | 1,000.1 | 998.9     |
| 2002 | 998.2     | 996.9   | 995.9   | 995.3     |
| 2003 | 994.7     | 994.6   | 994.4   | 994.7     |
| 2004 | 994.4     | 994.9   | 995.4   | 996.2     |
| 2005 | 995.3     |         |         |           |

## VITAL STATISTICS

|                  | 2004p | 4th Quarter<br>2003 | Change<br>(%) | 2004p  | January - December<br>2003 | Change<br>(%) |
|------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------|--------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Births           | 2,762 | 2,743               | 0.7           | 11,793 | 11,756                     | 0.3           |
| Deaths           | 2,430 | 2,400               | 1.3           | 9,245  | 9,055                      | 2.1           |
| Natural Increase | 332   | 343                 | -3.2          | 2,548  | 2,701                      | -5.7          |
| Marriages        | 864   | 856                 | 0.9           | 5,128  | 5,079                      | 1.0           |

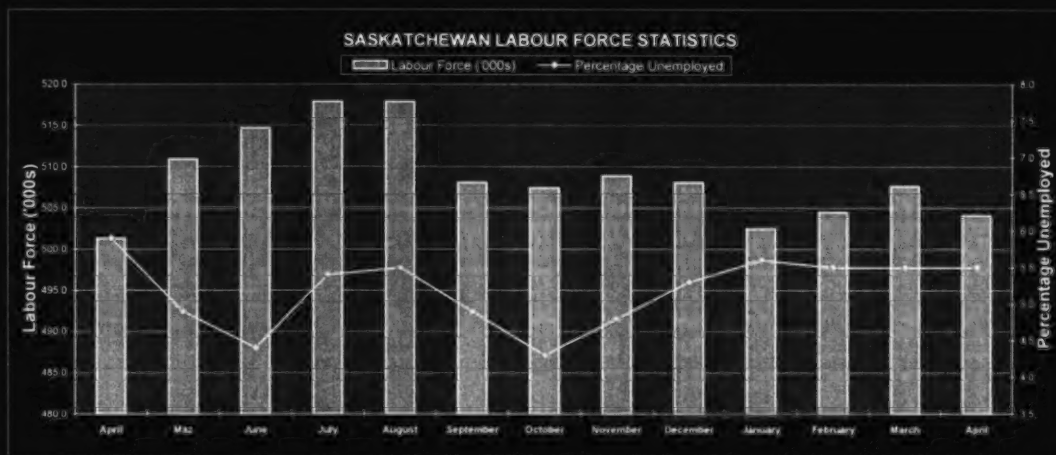
## IMMIGRATION NEW CANADIANS

|                | 2004  | 2003  | Change<br>(%) |
|----------------|-------|-------|---------------|
| First Quarter  | 435   | 378   | 15.1          |
| Second Quarter | 580   | 414   | 40.1          |
| Third Quarter  | 472   | 413   | 14.3          |
| Fourth Quarter | 455   | 463   | -1.7          |
| Annual Total   | 1,942 | 1,668 | 16.4          |
|                | 2003  | 2002  | Change<br>(%) |
| First Quarter  | 378   | 451   | -16.2         |
| Second Quarter | 414   | 452   | -8.4          |
| Third Quarter  | 413   | 367   | 12.5          |
| Fourth Quarter | 463   | 397   | 16.6          |
| Annual Total   | 1,668 | 1,667 | 0.1           |

# LABOUR FORCE AND RELATED DATA

|                     |           | Total | Labour Force<br>Employed<br>( ' 000 ) | Unemployed | Unemployment<br>Rate | Participation<br>Rate<br>(%) |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b> |           |       |                                       |            |                      |                              |
| 2003                | April     | 496.6 | 467.0                                 | 29.7       | 6.0                  | 66.8                         |
|                     | May       | 513.3 | 483.5                                 | 29.8       | 5.8                  | 69.1                         |
|                     | June      | 515.0 | 489.9                                 | 25.1       | 4.9                  | 69.3                         |
|                     | July      | 517.8 | 488.3                                 | 29.5       | 5.7                  | 69.6                         |
|                     | August    | 519.0 | 486.9                                 | 32.1       | 6.2                  | 69.8                         |
|                     | September | 500.7 | 476.2                                 | 24.5       | 4.9                  | 67.3                         |
|                     | October   | 499.6 | 475.5                                 | 24.1       | 4.8                  | 67.2                         |
|                     | November  | 497.0 | 470.7                                 | 26.2       | 5.3                  | 66.8                         |
|                     | December  | 497.0 | 470.7                                 | 26.2       | 5.3                  | 66.8                         |
| 2004                | January   | 494.4 | 463.4                                 | 31.0       | 6.3                  | 66.4                         |
|                     | February  | 495.5 | 465.3                                 | 30.2       | 6.1                  | 66.5                         |
|                     | March     | 498.6 | 466.3                                 | 32.3       | 6.5                  | 66.9                         |
|                     | April     | 501.3 | 471.9                                 | 29.4       | 5.9                  | 67.4                         |
|                     | May       | 510.9 | 486.1                                 | 24.9       | 4.9                  | 68.6                         |
|                     | June      | 514.7 | 491.9                                 | 22.8       | 4.4                  | 69.1                         |
|                     | July      | 517.9 | 490.1                                 | 27.8       | 5.4                  | 69.4                         |
|                     | August    | 517.9 | 489.7                                 | 28.3       | 5.5                  | 69.4                         |
|                     | September | 508.1 | 483.0                                 | 25.1       | 4.9                  | 68.1                         |
|                     | October   | 507.4 | 485.7                                 | 21.7       | 4.3                  | 68.0                         |
|                     | November  | 508.9 | 484.6                                 | 24.3       | 4.8                  | 68.1                         |
|                     | December  | 508.1 | 481.4                                 | 26.7       | 5.3                  | 68.0                         |
| 2005                | January   | 502.5 | 474.2                                 | 28.3       | 5.6                  | 67.2                         |
|                     | February  | 504.5 | 476.7                                 | 27.8       | 5.5                  | 67.5                         |
|                     | March     | 507.6 | 479.5                                 | 28.1       | 5.5                  | 67.9                         |
|                     | April     | 504.1 | 476.2                                 | 27.9       | 5.5                  | 67.3                         |

Note: Revised figures based on the 2001 Census.



## EMPLOYED PERSONS BY ACTUAL HOURS WORKED

|                     | April 2005 |       |        | April 2004 |       |        |
|---------------------|------------|-------|--------|------------|-------|--------|
|                     | Total      | Male  | Female | Total      | Male  | Female |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b> |            |       |        |            |       |        |
| Total ( ' 000 )     | 476.2      | 253.4 | 222.8  | 471.9      | 252.5 | 219.3  |
| 1-14 hours          | 39.1       | 15.2  | 23.8   | 34.8       | 12.4  | 22.4   |
| 15-29 hours         | 66.8       | 25.0  | 41.9   | 71.6       | 26.9  | 44.7   |
| 30 plus hours       | 343.5      | 203.0 | 140.6  | 307.7      | 193.1 | 114.5  |
| Not at work         | 26.7       | 10.2  | 16.5   | 57.8       | 20.1  | 37.7   |

# LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS BY AGE AND SEX

|                                 | Total | Male  | Female | 15-24 | 25+   | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-44 | 45+   | 65+  |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>             |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| <b>Labour Force ( ' 000 )</b>   |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| April 2005                      | 504.1 | 271.0 | 233.1  | 90.7  | 413.4 | 37.2  | 53.4  | 214.6 | 198.8 | 17.7 |
| March 2005                      | 507.6 | 271.7 | 235.9  | 89.8  | 417.8 | 37.4  | 52.3  | 216.2 | 201.6 | 16.8 |
| April 2004                      | 501.3 | 270.0 | 231.3  | 90.8  | 410.5 | 37.1  | 53.7  | 216.4 | 194.1 | 17.2 |
| <b>Employed ( ' 000 )</b>       |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| April 2005                      | 476.2 | 253.4 | 222.8  | 80.1  | 396.1 | 32.1  | 48.0  | 204.0 | 192.1 | 17.1 |
| March 2005                      | 479.5 | 252.9 | 226.6  | 80.4  | 399.1 | 32.7  | 47.6  | 206.6 | 192.6 | 16.2 |
| April 2004                      | 471.9 | 252.5 | 219.3  | 80.9  | 391.0 | 32.2  | 48.6  | 204.2 | 186.8 | 16.7 |
| <b>Unemployed ( ' 000 )</b>     |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| April 2005                      | 27.9  | 17.6  | 10.3   | 10.6  | 17.3  | 5.1   | 5.4   | 10.7  | 6.6   | 0.6  |
| March 2005                      | 28.1  | 18.8  | 9.3    | 9.4   | 18.7  | 4.7   | 4.7   | 9.6   | 9.0   | 0.6  |
| April 2004                      | 29.4  | 17.4  | 12.0   | 9.9   | 19.5  | 4.9   | 5.1   | 12.2  | 7.3   | 0.0  |
| <b>Unemployment Rate ( % )</b>  |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| April 2005                      | 5.5   | 6.5   | 4.4    | 11.7  | 4.2   | 13.7  | 10.1  | 5.0   | 3.3   | 3.4  |
| March 2005                      | 5.5   | 6.9   | 3.9    | 10.5  | 4.5   | 12.6  | 9.0   | 4.4   | 4.5   | 3.6  |
| April 2004                      | 5.9   | 6.4   | 5.2    | 10.9  | 4.8   | 13.2  | 9.5   | 5.6   | 3.8   | 0.0  |
| <b>Participation Rate ( % )</b> |       |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |
| April 2005                      | 67.3  | 73.4  | 61.4   | 65.2  | 67.8  | 53.8  | 76.3  | 88.4  | 54.2  | 13.2 |
| March 2005                      | 67.9  | 73.7  | 62.2   | 64.5  | 68.6  | 54.0  | 74.7  | 89.0  | 55.1  | 12.5 |
| April 2004                      | 67.4  | 73.6  | 61.3   | 65.5  | 67.8  | 53.0  | 78.2  | 88.2  | 53.9  | 12.8 |

Figures set to 0 (zero) if under 500 persons

## EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE BY INDUSTRY

|   | 2005         | April<br>2004<br>( ' 000 ) | 2003         |
|---|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                             |              |                            |              |
| Agriculture                                     | 44.3         | 46.7                       | 45.5         |
| Manufacturing                                   | 30.2         | 28.1                       | 26.1         |
| Construction                                    | 23.2         | 20.8                       | 22.0         |
| Transportation, Warehousing and Other Utilities | 27.8         | 27.1                       | 26.7         |
| Trade   | 81.2         | 75.5                       | 76.5         |
| Finance, Insurance and Real Estate              | 24.8         | 27.5                       | 28.4         |
| Service   | 202.9        | 204.0                      | 202.9        |
| Public Administration                           | 25.9         | 23.8                       | 23.4         |
| Other Primary Industries                        | 15.7         | 18.4                       | 15.4         |
| <b>Total All Industries</b>                     | <b>476.2</b> | <b>471.9</b>               | <b>467.0</b> |

Note: Pertains to the week ending April 16, 2005

## EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE STATISTICS

| Saskatchewan<br>February 2005p                      | Regular | Sickness | Maternity | Parental | Training | Other | Feb/05p | Jan/05p | Feb/04r |
|---|---------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>Total</b>  |         |          |           |          |          |       |         |         |         |
| Beneficiaries                                       | 16,130  | 1,210    | 1,520     | 3,750    | 1,200    | 160   | 23,970  | 23,320  | 25,660  |
| Male  | 11,460  | 560      | -         | 220      | 910      | 70    | 13,220  | 13,350  | 14,680  |
| Female  | 4,680   | 650      | 1,520     | 3,530    | 300      | 60    | 10,740  | 9,970   | 10,990  |
| Benefits paid<br>during month<br>( \$ ' 000 )       | 20,849  | 1,387    | 1,715     | 4,342    | -        | 145   | 28,449  | 34,347  | 35,761  |
| Number of weeks<br>paid during month                | 68,230  | 5,160    | 6,130     | 15,160   | -        | 550   | 95,230  | 115,620 | 119,840 |
| Average weekly<br>payments during<br>month * ( \$ ) | 305.59  | 269.01   | 279.96    | 286.42   | -        | -     | 298.75  | 297.06  | 298.40  |

\* May exceed maximum weekly benefit due to the inclusion of retroactive payments

**SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS AND HOURS**

|  | All Employees              |           |                            |           | Salaried Employees                |           |                            |           |
|--|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
|  | Number of Employees ('000) |           | Avg. Weekly Earnings* (\$) |           | Avg. Standard Work Week** (hours) |           | Avg. Hourly Earnings* (\$) |           |
|  | Feb 2005p                  | Jan 2004r | Feb 2005p                  | Jan 2004r | Feb 2005p                         | Jan 2004r | Feb 2005p                  | Jan 2004r |
| Goods producing industries                                       | 62.2                       | 60.5      | 884.64                     | 861.91    | 38.5                              | 37.7      | 27.37                      | 28.22     |
| Forestry   | 1.0                        | 1.0       | 746.07                     | 756.66    | 40.9                              | 40.3      | 20.07                      | 22.74     |
| Mining and oil and gas extraction                                | 12.1                       | 11.7      | 1,061.10                   | 1,066.13  | 39.6                              | 37.4      | 28.15                      | 31.40     |
| Construction   | 15.5                       | 15.0      | 815.17                     | 745.42    | 39.2                              | 38.2      | 22.06                      | 22.03     |
| Utility system construction                                      | 1.3                        | 1.3       | 842.51                     | 757.39    | 46.3                              | 42.1      | 22.86                      | 23.05     |
| Highway, street and bridge construction                          | 1.9                        | 1.8       | 911.97                     | 853.46    | 39.7                              | 38.8      | 25.63                      | 25.55     |
| Manufacturing  | 29.3                       | 28.4      | 825.74                     | 810.61    | 38.8                              | 38.8      | 26.91                      | 26.02     |
| Non-durable goods  | 11.8                       | 12.0      | 804.37                     | 777.49    | 39.7                              | 39.7      | 29.64                      | 28.00     |
| Food   | 6.8                        | 6.9       | 717.85                     | 677.79    | 40.0                              | 39.7      | 26.82                      | 25.37     |
| Printing & related support activities                            | 1.1                        | 1.0       | 722.30                     | 742.92    | 38.7                              | 38.9      | 23.25                      | 21.84     |
| Durable goods  | 17.4                       | 16.4      | 840.28                     | 834.89    | 38.2                              | 38.2      | 24.92                      | 24.66     |
| Machinery  | 4.7                        | 4.6       | 864.90                     | 864.70    | 38.4                              | 38.0      | 25.98                      | 26.09     |
| Agriculture, construction and mining machinery                   | 3.2                        | 3.1       | 805.77                     | 793.89    | 38.2                              | 37.7      | 24.93                      | 24.79     |
| Service producing industries                                     | 334.8                      | 331.6     | 619.55                     | 620.60    | 37.5                              | 37.6      | 22.89                      | 22.95     |
| Trade  | 70.8                       | 71.7      | 515.73                     | 508.77    | 38.8                              | 38.7      | 21.40                      | 21.22     |
| Wholesale trade  | 18.3                       | 18.2      | 756.81                     | 753.42    | 39.2                              | 39.0      | 23.05                      | 22.70     |
| Retail trade   | 52.5                       | 53.6      | 431.89                     | 425.80    | 38.4                              | 38.5      | 19.77                      | 19.74     |
| Automobile dealers   | 4.1                        | 4.0       | 850.45                     | 866.77    | 37.0                              | 38.2      | 23.89                      | 25.26     |
| Gasoline service stations  | 4.8                        | 5.0       | 314.83                     | 307.91    | 33.2                              | 32.6      | 16.87                      | 16.35     |
| Transportation & warehousing                                     | 20.2                       | 19.8      | 749.43                     | 742.39    | 39.6                              | 39.3      | 21.48                      | 21.22     |
| Finance and insurance  | 19.2                       | 19.1      | 843.97                     | 848.93    | 36.4                              | 37.0      | 26.39                      | 26.60     |
| Real estate, rental & leasing                                    | 6.7                        | 6.8       | 634.00                     | 624.88    | 39.1                              | 39.6      | 18.57                      | 18.14     |
| Administrative, support, waste management & remediation services | 10.0                       | 10.0      | 482.59                     | 482.50    | 36.2                              | 35.3      | 20.90                      | 20.46     |
| Educational services   | 41.6                       | 39.6      | 777.20                     | 811.69    | 38.1                              | 38.0      | 21.97                      | 22.86     |
| Elementary & secondary schools                                   | 27.8                       | 26.0      | 803.57                     | 848.96    | 39.6                              | 41.3      | 25.38                      | 25.41     |
| Health care & social assistance                                  | 54.1                       | 54.2      | 618.42                     | 626.74    | 34.5                              | 34.6      | 21.49                      | 21.38     |
| General medical & surgical hospitals                             | 16.1                       | 16.3      | 691.44                     | 711.12    | 36.3                              | 37.4      | 24.88                      | 23.21     |
| Nursing & residential care facilities                            | 15.2                       | 15.1      | 590.35                     | 574.37    | 32.0                              | 32.4      | 22.02                      | 21.60     |
| Accommodation & food services                                    | 30.3                       | 30.0      | 273.30                     | 265.76    | 39.9                              | 38.9      | 15.72                      | 14.76     |
| Food services & drinking places                                  | 23.6                       | 23.2      | 264.61                     | 257.61    | 42.1                              | 41.0      | 14.82                      | 13.75     |
| Public Administration  | 32.6                       | 31.4      | 818.78                     | 822.85    | 36.5                              | 36.9      | 26.75                      | 26.59     |
| Industrial Aggregate   | 397.0                      | 392.1     | 661.10                     | 657.84    | 37.6                              | 37.6      | 23.42                      | 23.58     |

\* including overtime

\*\* excluding overtime

Industrial Aggregate = sum of all industries - with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, private household services, religious organizations and military services.

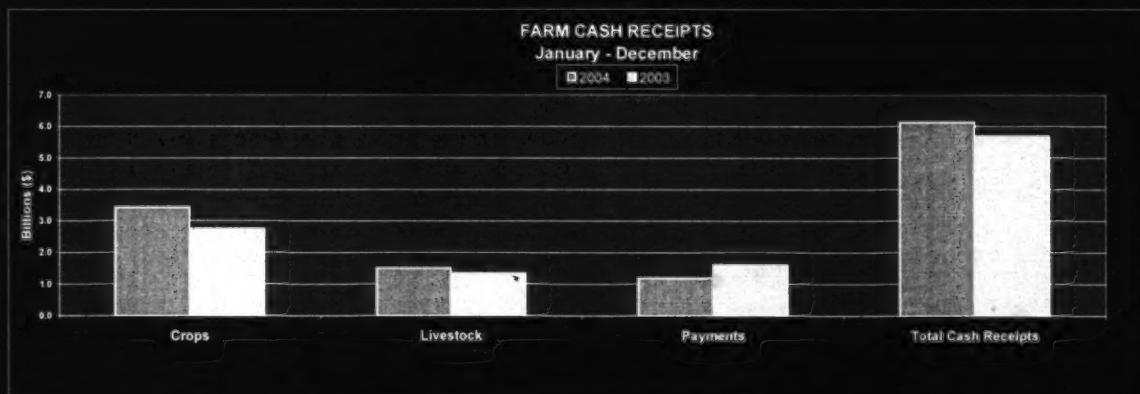
Note: Data based on the 2002 NAICS.

# SASKATCHEWAN FARM CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARMING OPERATIONS

|   | 2004         | January - December<br>2003 | Change<br>(%) |
|---|--------------|----------------------------|---------------|
|   | ( \$ ' 000 ) |                            |               |
| Wheat, excluding durum                  | 609,298      | 550,840                    | 10.6          |
| Wheat, excluding durum - CWB payments/1 | 262,853      | 38,510                     | ---           |
| Durum                                   | 267,947      | 324,987                    | -17.6         |
| Durum - CWB payments/1                  | 170,430      | 139,417                    | 22.2          |
| Oats                                    | 97,241       | 77,511                     | 25.5          |
| Oats, CWB payments/1                    | -            | -                          | -             |
| Barley                                  | 199,212      | 133,743                    | 49.0          |
| Barley, CWB payments/1                  | 86,840       | 29,738                     | ---           |
| Deferred grain receipts                 | -346,863     | -323,960                   | 7.1           |
| Liquidation of deferred grain receipts  | 327,859      | 327,230                    | 0.2           |
| Rye                                     | 5,384        | 1,603                      | ---           |
| Flaxseed                                | 130,251      | 130,109                    | 0.1           |
| Canola - Rapeseed                       | 813,404      | 634,090                    | 28.3          |
| Potatoes                                | 61,214       | 58,095                     | 5.4           |
| Floriculture and nursery                | 34,782       | 32,226                     | 7.9           |
| Forest products                         | 2,720        | 2,706                      | 0.5           |
| Other crops                             | 710,679      | 587,062                    | 21.1          |
| Total crops                             | 3,433,251    | 2,743,907                  | 25.1          |
| Cattle                                  | 649,193      | 538,500                    | 20.6          |
| Calves                                  | 178,887      | 208,756                    | -14.3         |
| Hogs                                    | 342,934      | 262,452                    | 30.7          |
| Sheep and lambs                         | 3,153        | 6,898                      | -54.3         |
| Dairy Products                          | 123,248      | 124,766                    | -1.2          |
| Poultry                                 | 64,264       | 59,605                     | 7.8           |
| Eggs                                    | 22,627       | 21,448                     | 5.5           |
| Other livestock                         | 116,989      | 115,075                    | 1.7           |
| Total livestock and products            | 1,501,295    | 1,337,500                  | 12.2          |
| NISA Payments                           | 297,776      | 245,742                    | 21.2          |
| Crop and hail insurance payments/2      | 336,546      | 1,000,106                  | -66.3         |
| Income Disaster Assistance              | 93,714       | 140,565                    | -33.3         |
| Dairy Subsidy                           | -            | -                          | ---           |
| Other payments                          | 461,586      | 214,659                    | ---           |
| Total direct payments                   | 1,189,622    | 1,601,072                  | -25.7         |
| Total cash receipts                     | 6,124,168    | 5,682,479                  | 7.8           |

1: Represents payments made by the Canadian Wheat Board direct to producers.

2: Crop insurance payments include payments under the Crop Insurance Act as well as private hail insurance plans.





# SASKATCHEWAN LIVESTOCK MARKETINGS

|   | 2005           | February<br>2004 | Change<br>(%) | January - February |                |               |
|---|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|
|   |                |                  |               | 2005               | 2004           | Change<br>(%) |
| <b>Feeder Cattle Exports</b>            |                |                  |               |                    |                |               |
| Steers                                  | 51,580         | 31,920           | 61.6          | 80,910             | 47,120         | 71.7          |
| Heifers                                 | 36,900         | 17,250           | ---           | 55,690             | 23,800         | ---           |
| Cows                                    | 150            | 50               | ---           | 520                | 90             | ---           |
| Bulls                                   | 40             | 40               | ---           | 70                 | 80             | -12.5         |
| Total Feeder Cattle Exports             | 88,670         | 49,260           | 80.0          | 137,190            | 71,090         | 93.0          |
| <b>Feeder Cattle to Saskatchewan</b>    |                |                  |               |                    |                |               |
| Steers                                  | 31,140         | 14,160           | ---           | 47,070             | 19,860         | ---           |
| Heifers                                 | 21,340         | 11,360           | 87.9          | 32,180             | 15,010         | ---           |
| Cows                                    | 610            | 360              | 69.4          | 1,450              | 470            | ---           |
| Bulls                                   | 60             | 90               | -33.3         | 100                | 150            | -33.3         |
| Total Feeder Cattle to Saskatchewan     | 53,150         | 25,970           | ---           | 80,800             | 35,490         | ---           |
| <b>Total Feeder Cattle Marketed</b>     | <b>141,820</b> | <b>75,230</b>    | <b>88.5</b>   | <b>217,990</b>     | <b>106,580</b> | <b>---</b>    |
| <b>Slaughter Cattle Exports</b>         |                |                  |               |                    |                |               |
| Steers                                  | 6,890          | 6,940            | -0.7          | 15,900             | 8,530          | 86.4          |
| Heifers                                 | 7,510          | 3,590            | ---           | 15,010             | 6,630          | ---           |
| Cows                                    | 100            | 4,340            | -97.7         | 160                | 7,440          | -97.8         |
| Bulls                                   | 30             | 50               | -40.0         | 50                 | 70             | -28.6         |
| Calves                                  | -              | -                | ---           | -                  | -              | ---           |
| Total Slaughter Cattle Exports          | 14,530         | 14,920           | -2.6          | 31,120             | 22,670         | 37.3          |
| <b>Slaughter Cattle to Saskatchewan</b> |                |                  |               |                    |                |               |
| Steers                                  | 370            | 4,170            | -91.1         | 2,160              | 11,330         | -80.9         |
| Heifers                                 | 440            | 4,520            | -90.3         | 1,540              | 9,020          | -82.9         |
| Cows                                    | 9,260          | 730              | ---           | 18,070             | 1,450          | ---           |
| Bulls                                   | 2,050          | 770              | ---           | 3,290              | 1,110          | ---           |
| Calves                                  | 10             | -                | ---           | 70                 | -              | ---           |
| Total Slaughter Cattle to Saskatchewan  | 12,130         | 10,190           | 19.0          | 25,130             | 22,910         | 9.7           |
| <b>Total Slaughter Cattle Marketed</b>  | <b>26,660</b>  | <b>25,110</b>    | <b>6.2</b>    | <b>56,250</b>      | <b>45,580</b>  | <b>23.4</b>   |
| <b>Total Cattle Marketed</b>            | <b>168,480</b> | <b>100,340</b>   | <b>67.9</b>   | <b>274,240</b>     | <b>152,160</b> | <b>80.2</b>   |
| Sheep and lambs                         | 1,472          | 348              | ---           | 2,296              | 609            | ---           |
| Hogs Saskatchewan Origin of Slaughter   | 109,095        | 104,733          | 4.2           | 219,393            | 209,463        | 4.7           |

## SASKATCHEWAN AVERAGE PRICE OF SLAUGHTER AND FEEDER CATTLE

|                         | 2005<br>\$/ 100 lbs | February<br>2004 | Change<br>(%) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                         |                     |                  |               |
| <b>Slaughter Cattle</b> |                     |                  |               |
| A Steers, Liveweight    | 87.49               | 77.61            | 12.7          |
| A Heifers, Liveweight   | 86.77               | 78.43            | 10.6          |
| Cows D1, 2              | 23.00               | 24.13            | -4.7          |
| <b>Feeder Cattle</b>    |                     |                  |               |
| Steers 700-800 lbs      | 107.80              | 68.09            | 58.3          |
| Steers 600-700 lbs      | 116.64              | 75.03            | 55.5          |
| Steers 500-600 lbs      | 128.22              | 83.09            | 54.3          |

## SASKATCHEWAN FARMERS' MARKETING OF GRAIN AT PRIMARY ELEVATORS

|   | Durum   |         |       |         |       |           |         |      | Total   |
|---|---------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-----------|---------|------|---------|
|   | Wheat   | Wheat   | Oats  | Barley  | Peas  | Flax seed | Canola  | Corn |         |
| (' 000 ) of tonnes                        |         |         |       |         |       |           |         |      |         |
| Period April 3, 2005<br>to April 30, 2005 | 278.0   | 162.5   | 45.2  | 138.1   | 77.2  | 16.5      | 100.2   | 0.0  | 817.7   |
| Same period last year                     | 272.3   | 155.9   | 31.1  | 180.3   | 40.8  | 31.4      | 108.8   | 0.0  | 820.6   |
| Crop year to date                         | 3,750.2 | 1,647.8 | 438.2 | 1,530.1 | 822.6 | 250.2     | 1,103.6 | 0.0  | 9,542.7 |
| Same period last year                     | 3,471.1 | 1,432.2 | 410.1 | 1,713.6 | 518.2 | 323.1     | 1,537.6 | 0.0  | 9,405.9 |

# EGG PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION

|                                 | 2005  | January<br>2004 | Change<br>(%) | January - December<br>2004 | 2003   | Change<br>(%) |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------|---------------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>             |       |                 |               |                            |        |               |
| <b>Production</b>               |       |                 |               |                            |        |               |
| Average number of layers ('000) | 1,125 | 1,061           | 6.0           | 13,031                     | 13,120 | -0.7          |
| Eggs per 100 layers             | 2,120 | 2,103           | 0.8           |                            |        |               |
| Egg production ('000 dozen)     | 1,987 | 1,860           | 6.8           | 22,499                     | 22,976 | -2.1          |
| <b>Disposition</b>              |       |                 |               |                            |        |               |
| Sold for consumption            |       |                 |               |                            |        |               |
| Quantity ('000 dozen)           | 1,735 | 1,641           | 5.7           | 19,785                     | 20,065 | -1.4          |
| Value (\$'000)                  | 1,959 | 1,859           | 5.4           | 23,478                     | 22,868 | 2.7           |
| Farm price (cent per dozen)     | 112.9 | 113.3           | -0.4          | 118.7                      | 114.0  | 4.1           |
| <b>Used by producers</b>        |       |                 |               |                            |        |               |
| Quantity ('000 dozen)           | 15    | 15              | -             | 180                        | 180    | -             |
| Value (\$'000)                  | 20    | 20              | -             | 246                        | 237    | 3.8           |

# BANKRUPTCY BY INDUSTRY

|  | 2005      | February<br>2004 | Change<br>(%) | January - February<br>2005 | 2004      | Change<br>(%) |
|--|-----------|------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                        |           |                  |               |                            |           |               |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting | 6         | 8                | -25.0         | 14                         | 13        | 7.7           |
| Mining and oil and gas extraction          | -         | -                | ---           | -                          | -         | ---           |
| Utilities                                  | -         | -                | ---           | -                          | -         | ---           |
| Construction                               | 6         | 4                | 50.0          | 9                          | 7         | 28.6          |
| Manufacturing                              | -         | -                | ---           | -                          | 1         | ---           |
| Wholesale trade                            | 1         | -                | ---           | 1                          | 5         | -80.0         |
| Retail trade                               | 4         | 3                | 33.3          | 5                          | 8         | -37.5         |
| Transportation and warehousing             | 5         | 8                | -37.5         | 7                          | 11        | -36.4         |
| Finance and insurance                      | -         | -                | ---           | 1                          | -         | ---           |
| Real estate and rental                     | -         | 2                | ---           | 2                          | 2         | -             |
| Professional, scientific and technical     | 2         | 1                | ---           | 2                          | 5         | -60.0         |
| Health and social assistance               | -         | -                | ---           | -                          | -         | ---           |
| Arts, entertainment & recreation           | 1         | -                | ---           | 1                          | 2         | -50.0         |
| Accommodation and food                     | 3         | 2                | 50.0          | 8                          | 7         | 14.3          |
| Other service                              | 2         | 4                | -50.0         | 6                          | 5         | 20.0          |
| <b>Total Industries</b>                    | <b>30</b> | <b>34</b>        | <b>-11.8</b>  | <b>57</b>                  | <b>68</b> | <b>-16.2</b>  |
| Bankruptcy by consumer                     | 159       | 159              | -             | 321                        | 338       | -5.0          |
| <b>Canada</b>                              |           |                  |               |                            |           |               |
| Bankruptcy by industry                     | 736       | 768              | -4.2          | 1,334                      | 1,436     | -7.1          |
| Bankruptcy by consumer                     | 7,098     | 7,115            | -0.2          | 13,292                     | 13,225    | 0.5           |

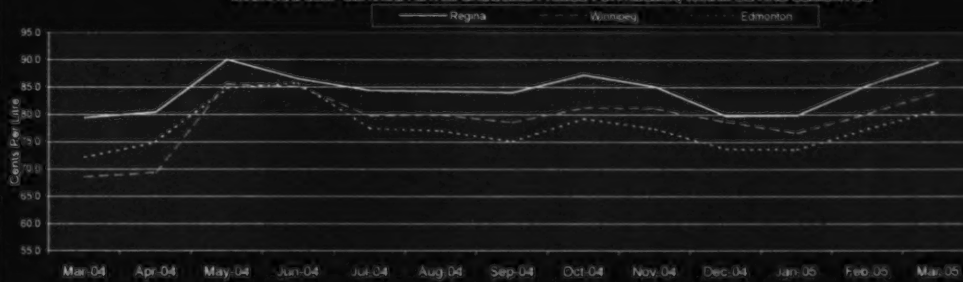
# RETAIL SALES BY TRADE GROUP

|  | February    |          |        | January - February |          |        |
|--|-------------|----------|--------|--------------------|----------|--------|
|  | 2005p       | 2004r    | Change | 2005p              | 2004r    | Change |
|  | \$ Millions |          | (%)    | \$ Millions        |          | (%)    |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                      |             |          |        |                    |          |        |
| Food and Beverage Stores                 | 174.4       | 171.8    | 1.5    | 362.9              | 364.0    | -0.3   |
| Pharmacies and Personal Care Stores      | 43.5        | 39.9     | 9.0    | 88.4               | 82.2     | 7.6    |
| Shoe, Clothing Accessories and Jewellery | 6.5         | 6.8      | -4.6   | 12.2               | 12.7     | -4.4   |
| Clothing Stores                          | 20.1        | 19.3     | 4.0    | 43.2               | 40.0     | 7.9    |
| Furniture stores                         | 10.7        | 9.3      | 14.8   | 21.2               | 19.4     | 9.3    |
| Home Electronics and Appliance Stores    | 15.1        | 13.9     | 8.0    | 32.6               | 29.7     | 9.5    |
| Home Furnishings Stores                  | 7.2         | 6.6      | 8.4    | 13.1               | 12.9     | 1.6    |
| Computer and Software Stores             | 2.7         | 2.3      | 17.9   | 5.6                | 4.9      | 13.5   |
| New Car Dealers                          | 153.1       | 153.2    | -0.1   | 291.9              | 298.4    | -2.2   |
| Used & Rec Vehicle and Parts Dealers     | 33.9        | 34.3     | -1.3   | 61.7               | 59.9     | 3.0    |
| Gasoline Stations                        | 104.1       | 87.6     | 18.8   | 212.1              | 178.2    | 19.0   |
| General Merchandise Stores               | 92.5        | 89.3     | 3.5    | 190.4              | 180.8    | 5.3    |
| Home Centres and Hardware Stores         | 23.3        | 20.5     | 14.0   | 45.4               | 41.2     | 10.2   |
| Specialized Bldg Materials and Gardens   | 9.7         | 6.2      | 57.5   | 17.3               | 12.9     | 34.3   |
| Sporting Goods, Hobby, Music and Book    | 11.0        | 8.7      | 26.9   | 23.2               | 17.8     | 30.0   |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers            | 13.0        | 15.5     | -15.9  | 24.6               | 29.6     | -19.6  |
| Total All Stores                         | 720.5       | 685.2    | 5.2    | 1,445.6            | 1,384.7  | 4.4    |
| <b>Canada</b>                            |             |          |        |                    |          |        |
| Total All Stores                         | 24,348.5    | 23,828.1 | 2.2    | 49,073.2           | 46,899.4 | 4.6    |

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE

|                            | Full Service Stations |               |            | Self-Serve Stations |               |            |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|
|                            | March 2005            | February 2005 | March 2004 | March 2005          | February 2005 | March 2004 |
|                            | cents per litre       |               |            |                     |               |            |
| St. John's                 | 96.4                  | 95.4          | 90.6       | 93.9                | 92.6          | 87.8       |
| Charlottetown - Summerside | 88.2                  | 84.9          | 78.5       | 86.4                | 83.0          | 76.8       |
| Sydney                     | 95.2                  | 91.6          | 88.3       | 92.7                | 88.7          | 85.3       |
| Halifax                    | 94.6                  | 89.6          | 87.2       | 91.8                | 87.4          | 84.7       |
| Moncton                    | 93.9                  | 89.6          | 86.2       | 92.5                | 86.6          | 82.8       |
| Chicoutimi                 | 88.6                  | 84.6          | 82.9       | 88.2                | 84.2          | 82.4       |
| Quebec City                | 92.3                  | 85.9          | 85.4       | 92.7                | 85.9          | 85.5       |
| Trois Rivières             | 92.7                  | 86.9          | 85.7       | 92.2                | 86.4          | 85.2       |
| Montreal                   | 92.4                  | 88.4          | 84.5       | 91.4                | 85.2          | 82.1       |
| Ottawa                     | 85.1                  | 81.8          | 76.1       | 82.4                | 78.5          | 73.8       |
| Toronto                    | 85.3                  | 80.0          | 73.7       | 83.8                | 79.0          | 71.2       |
| London                     | 85.5                  | 82.0          | 79.8       | 84.5                | 78.6          | 75.9       |
| Windsor                    | 84.6                  | 77.7          | 75.4       | 79.7                | 73.5          | 73.3       |
| Sudbury                    | 87.1                  | 84.2          | 82.3       | 85.3                | 82.5          | 80.7       |
| Thunder Bay                | 91.6                  | 88.2          | 80.5       | 90.9                | 88.4          | 80.1       |
| Winnipeg                   | 84.7                  | 81.4          | 72.3       | 84.1                | 80.2          | 68.6       |
| Regina                     | 89.8                  | 85.7          | 77.7       | 89.6                | 85.4          | 79.4       |
| Saskatoon                  | 90.1                  | 84.6          | 79.2       | 90.0                | 84.6          | 78.9       |
| Edmonton                   | 82.5                  | 79.0          | 73.2       | 80.8                | 77.4          | 72.2       |
| Calgary                    | 83.1                  | 77.4          | 72.7       | 81.7                | 76.4          | 71.7       |
| Prince George              | 92.3                  | 89.3          | 80.6       | 92.0                | 89.0          | 80.3       |
| Vancouver                  | 93.3                  | 89.7          | 84.4       | 92.0                | 88.0          | 81.0       |
| Victoria                   | 94.4                  | 89.7          | 86.2       | 92.8                | 88.4          | 84.9       |

AVERAGE SELF SERVICE RETAIL GASOLINE PRICES FOR REGINA, WINNIPEG AND EDMONTON



## NEW MOTOR VEHICLE

|                                 | 2005         | February<br>2004 | C |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|---|
| <b>Passenger Cars:</b>          |              |                  |   |
| Manufactured in North America   | 544          | 619              |   |
| Manufactured in Japan           | 63           | 65               |   |
| Manufactured in other countries | 108          | 71               |   |
| <b>Commercial Vehicles:</b>     |              |                  |   |
| Manufactured in North America   | 1,466        | 1,568            |   |
| Manufactured Overseas           | 146          | 128              |   |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>2,327</b> | <b>2,451</b>     |   |

## HOUSING STATIS

|  | 2005  | 1st Quarter<br>2004 | C |
|--|-------|---------------------|---|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                            |       |                     |   |
| Dwelling starts                                | 385   | 475                 |   |
| Dwelling completions                           | 659   | 563                 |   |
| Dwellings under construction,<br>end of period | 1,997 | 1,519               |   |
| <b>Dwelling Starts</b>                         |       |                     |   |
| Saskatchewan/1                                 | 334   | 404                 |   |
| Estevan  | 11    | 1                   |   |
| Lloydminster/2                                 | 9     | 5                   |   |
| Moose Jaw                                      | 24    | 7                   |   |
| North Battleford                               | 3     | 0                   |   |
| Prince Albert                                  | 2     | 5                   |   |
| Regina Metro                                   | 84    | 180                 |   |
| Saskatoon Metro                                | 197   | 203                 |   |
| Swift Current                                  | 4     | 3                   |   |
| Yorkton  | 0     | 0                   |   |
| <b>Dwelling Completions</b>                    |       |                     |   |
| Saskatchewan/1                                 | 445   | 436                 |   |
| Estevan  | 10    | 4                   |   |
| Lloydminster/2                                 | 11    | 18                  |   |
| Moose Jaw                                      | 19    | 6                   |   |
| North Battleford                               | 6     | 0                   |   |
| Prince Albert                                  | 17    | 15                  |   |
| Regina Metro                                   | 193   | 170                 |   |
| Saskatoon Metro                                | 182   | 212                 |   |
| Swift Current                                  | 4     | 5                   |   |
| Yorkton  | 3     | 6                   |   |
| <b>Dwellings under Construction</b>            |       |                     |   |
| Saskatchewan/1                                 | 1,764 | 1,255               |   |
| Estevan  | 11    | 1                   |   |
| Lloydminster/2                                 | 9     | 7                   |   |
| Moose Jaw                                      | 29    | 17                  |   |
| North Battleford                               | 4     | 9                   |   |
| Prince Albert                                  | 6     | 7                   |   |
| Regina Metro                                   | 751   | 555                 |   |
| Saskatoon Metro                                | 940   | 655                 |   |
| Swift Current                                  | 12    | 3                   |   |
| Yorkton  | 2     | 1                   |   |

|  | 2005 | March<br>2004 | C |
|--|------|---------------|---|
|--|------|---------------|---|

|                                     |     |     |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|--|
| <b>Dwelling Starts</b>              |     |     |  |
| Regina Metro                        | 35  | 112 |  |
| Saskatoon Metro                     | 56  | 61  |  |
| <b>Dwelling Completions</b>         |     |     |  |
| Regina Metro                        | 71  | 98  |  |
| Saskatoon Metro                     | 43  | 53  |  |
| <b>Dwellings under Construction</b> |     |     |  |
| Regina Metro                        | 751 | 555 |  |
| Saskatoon Metro                     | 940 | 655 |  |

1 Centres of 10,000 population and over.

2 Saskatchewan part only.

## SALES

| Change<br>(%) | January - February |       | Change<br>(%) |
|---------------|--------------------|-------|---------------|
|               | 2005               | 2004  |               |
| Number        |                    |       |               |
| 12.1          | 980                | 1,279 | -23.4         |
| -3.1          | 116                | 134   | -13.4         |
| 52.1          | 194                | 110   | 76.4          |
| -6.5          | 2,571              | 2,731 | -5.9          |
| 14.1          | 259                | 223   | 16.1          |
| -5.1          | 4,120              | 4,477 | -8.0          |

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| Change<br>(%) | January - December |       | Change<br>(%) |
|---------------|--------------------|-------|---------------|
|               | 2004               | 2003  |               |
| 18.9          | 3,781              | 3,315 | 14.1          |
| 17.1          | 3,122              | 3,354 | -6.9          |
| 31.5          |                    |       |               |
| 17.3          | 3,144              | 2,634 | 19.4          |
| ---           | 21                 | 18    | 16.7          |
| 80.0          | 59                 | 37    | 59.5          |
| ---           | 79                 | 50    | 58.0          |
| ---           | 18                 | 20    | -10.0         |
| 60.0          | 79                 | 90    | -12.2         |
| 53.3          | 1,242              | 889   | 39.7          |
| -3.0          | 1,578              | 1,455 | 8.5           |
| 33.3          | 40                 | 52    | -23.1         |
| ---           | 28                 | 23    | 21.7          |
| 2.1           | 2,560              | 2,694 | -5.0          |
| ---           | 15                 | 15    | -             |
| 38.9          | 68                 | 29    | ---           |
| ---           | 71                 | 44    | 61.4          |
| ---           | 20                 | 13    | 53.8          |
| 13.3          | 75                 | 103   | -27.2         |
| 13.5          | 926                | 733   | 26.3          |
| 14.2          | 1,322              | 1,675 | -21.1         |
| 20.0          | 33                 | 49    | -32.7         |
| 50.0          | 30                 | 33    | -9.1          |

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| Change<br>(%) | January - March |      | Change<br>(%) |
|---------------|-----------------|------|---------------|
|               | 2005            | 2004 |               |
| 68.8          | 84              | 180  | -53.3         |
| -8.2          | 197             | 203  | -3.0          |
| 27.6          | 193             | 170  | 13.5          |
| 18.9          | 182             | 212  | -14.2         |

35.3

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VALUE OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

|                              | Residential | Industrial |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| <b>March, 2005</b>           |             |            |
| Saskatchewan **              | 21,628      | 12,000     |
| Estevan                      | 185         |            |
| Weyburn                      | 160         |            |
| Regina                       | 5,554       |            |
| Moose Jaw                    | 538         |            |
| Swift Current                | 532         |            |
| Saskatoon                    | 5,207       | 12,000     |
| Humboldt                     | 131         |            |
| Melville                     | 301         |            |
| Yorkton                      | 370         |            |
| Meifort                      | 4           |            |
| North Battleford             | -           |            |
| Prince Albert                | 578         |            |
| Lloydminster *               | 6,378       |            |
| <b>March, 2004</b>           |             |            |
| Saskatchewan **              | 32,045      | 4,000      |
| Estevan                      | 5           |            |
| Weyburn                      | 15          |            |
| Regina                       | 12,845      | 3,000      |
| Moose Jaw                    | 1,048       |            |
| Swift Current                | 164         |            |
| Saskatoon                    | 7,655       | 1,000      |
| Humboldt                     | 179         |            |
| Melville                     | 30          |            |
| Yorkton                      | 250         |            |
| Meifort                      | -           |            |
| North Battleford             | 10          |            |
| Prince Albert                | 1,002       |            |
| Lloydminster *               | 3,072       |            |
| <b>January - March, 2005</b> |             |            |
| Saskatchewan **              | 54,851      | 17,000     |
| Estevan                      | 2,072       |            |
| Weyburn                      | 194         |            |
| Regina                       | 13,365      | 2,000      |
| Moose Jaw                    | 1,281       |            |
| Swift Current                | 1,035       |            |
| Saskatoon                    | 19,420      | 13,000     |
| Humboldt                     | 430         |            |
| Meilville                    | 301         |            |
| Yorkton                      | 451         |            |
| Meifort                      | 315         |            |
| North Battleford             | 295         |            |
| Prince Albert                | 594         |            |
| Lloydminster *               | 10,994      | 1,000      |
| <b>January - March, 2004</b> |             |            |
| Saskatchewan **              | 59,442      | 9,000      |
| Estevan                      | 75          |            |
| Weyburn                      | 65          |            |
| Regina                       | 20,666      | 6,000      |
| Moose Jaw                    | 1,870       |            |
| Swift Current                | 645         |            |
| Saskatoon                    | 17,230      | 1,000      |
| Humboldt                     | 184         |            |
| Meilville                    | 38          |            |
| Yorkton                      | 250         |            |
| Meifort                      | 150         | 1,000      |
| North Battleford             | 111         |            |
| Prince Albert                | 1,081       |            |
| Lloydminster *               | 5,581       |            |

\* includes both Alberta and Saskatchewan parts

\*\* does not include Lloydminster

# D FOR CONSTRUCTION

|   | Commercial<br>(\$ ' 000) | Institutional<br>& Government | Total   |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 2 | 30,901                   | 14,931                        | 80,082  |
| - | -                        | -                             | 185     |
| - | 21                       | -                             | 181     |
| 0 | 2,681                    | 12,206                        | 20,561  |
| - | 618                      | -                             | 1,156   |
| - | 1,712                    | -                             | 2,244   |
| 4 | 12,801                   | 468                           | 30,910  |
| - | 9                        | 90                            | 230     |
| - | 140                      | -                             | 441     |
| - | 1,035                    | -                             | 1,405   |
| - | 39                       | -                             | 43      |
| - | 788                      | 55                            | 843     |
| - | 7,567                    | -                             | 8,145   |
| - | 221                      | 376                           | 6,975   |
| 1 | 7,788                    | 9,291                         | 53,415  |
| - | -                        | -                             | 5       |
| - | -                        | 1,285                         | 1,300   |
| 8 | 3,231                    | 1,077                         | 20,201  |
| - | 15                       | -                             | 1,063   |
| 0 | 260                      | -                             | 474     |
| 3 | 3,267                    | 1,107                         | 13,032  |
| - | 65                       | -                             | 244     |
| - | -                        | -                             | 30      |
| - | -                        | -                             | 250     |
| - | 72                       | -                             | 72      |
| - | 110                      | 622                           | 742     |
| - | 400                      | -                             | 1,402   |
| - | 40                       | -                             | 3,112   |
| 8 | 65,531                   | 25,918                        | 163,648 |
| - | 1,419                    | 11                            | 3,875   |
| - | 544                      | -                             | 738     |
| 8 | 23,182                   | 19,520                        | 58,915  |
| - | 696                      | -                             | 1,977   |
| - | 2,097                    | 15                            | 3,147   |
| 0 | 17,432                   | 3,220                         | 53,982  |
| - | 506                      | 90                            | 1,026   |
| - | 140                      | 170                           | 611     |
| - | 1,054                    | 285                           | 1,790   |
| - | 238                      | 6                             | 559     |
| - | 1,817                    | 221                           | 2,333   |
| - | 10,788                   | -                             | 11,382  |
| 7 | 21,293                   | 376                           | 34,200  |
| 5 | 24,201                   | 18,095                        | 111,543 |
| - | 1,235                    | 258                           | 1,568   |
| - | 76                       | 1,605                         | 1,746   |
| 9 | 8,694                    | 7,339                         | 42,948  |
| 9 | 917                      | 53                            | 2,919   |
| 0 | 289                      | -                             | 1,054   |
| 9 | 9,633                    | 1,831                         | 30,293  |
| - | 65                       | -                             | 249     |
| - | 36                       | 20                            | 94      |
| - | 30                       | 16                            | 296     |
| 0 | 72                       | -                             | 1,422   |
| - | 272                      | 666                           | 949     |
| - | 410                      | 480                           | 1,971   |
| 9 | 67                       | 20                            | 5,837   |

# VALUE OF SHIPMENTS OF GOODS MANUFACTURED

|  | February   |         |        | January - February |           |        |
|--|------------|---------|--------|--------------------|-----------|--------|
|  | 2005p      | 2004r   | Change | 2005p              | 2004r     | Change |
|  | (\$ ' 000) |         | (%)    | (\$ ' 000)         |           | (%)    |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>  |            |         |        |                    |           |        |
| <b>Industry Group:</b>   |            |         |        |                    |           |        |
| Food   | 135,602    | 162,570 | -16.6  | 282,867            | 322,222   | -12.2  |
| Beverage   | 2,084      | 2,104   | -1.0   | 3,968              | 4,161     | -4.6   |
| Wood   | 70,903     | 46,909  | 51.2   | 141,747            | 83,133    | 70.5   |
| Printing & Related Support Activities                                  | 8,562      | 9,624   | -11.0  | 19,289             | 20,610    | -6.4   |
| Metal fabrication (except machine & transportation equipment industry) | 28,183     | 27,917  | 1.0    | 61,312             | 56,024    | 9.4    |
| Machines   | 56,707     | 58,879  | -3.7   | 107,998            | 105,109   | 2.7    |
| Electrical Equipment   | 12,151     | 11,818  | 2.8    | 24,655             | 22,339    | 10.4   |
| Non-metallic mineral products  | 3,044      | 1,906   | 59.7   | 5,730              | 3,638     | 57.5   |
| Chemical & chemical products   | 110,074    | 83,680  | 31.5   | 214,324            | 160,357   | 33.7   |
| N.E.S.   | 403,494    | 309,364 | 30.4   | 784,490            | 603,800   | 29.9   |
| Total Value/1  | 830,804    | 714,771 | 16.2   | 1,646,380          | 1,381,393 | 19.2   |

1. Total includes the value of shipments for the industries for which individual data must be suppressed to comply with the Statistics Act.

## EXPORTS ORIGINATING IN SASKATCHEWAN

|                                  | February   |         |        | January - February |           |        |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------|--------|--------------------|-----------|--------|
|                                  | 2005       | 2004    | Change | 2005               | 2004      | Change |
|                                  | (\$ ' 000) |         | (%)    | (\$ ' 000)         |           | (%)    |
| Agriculture and Fishing Products | 255,900    | 231,600 | 10.5   | 455,600            | 471,900   | -3.5   |
| Energy Products                  | 274,900    | 252,400 | 8.9    | 648,400            | 578,200   | 12.1   |
| Forestry Products                | 77,000     | 64,700  | 19.0   | 145,800            | 115,800   | 25.9   |
| Industrial Goods                 | 367,200    | 209,400 | 75.4   | 595,300            | 394,700   | 50.8   |
| Machinery and Equipment          | 56,800     | 57,400  | -1.0   | 105,500            | 101,700   | 3.7    |
| Automotive Products              | 5,900      | 7,100   | -16.9  | 11,200             | 12,200    | -8.2   |
| Consumer Goods                   | 3,300      | 3,200   | 3.1    | 5,300              | 5,100     | 3.9    |
| Special Transactions             | 9,800      | 8,500   | 15.3   | 20,600             | 18,300    | 12.6   |
| Total Exports                    | 1,050,800  | 834,300 | 25.9   | 1,987,700          | 1,697,900 | 17.1   |

## IMPORTS CLEARED IN SASKATCHEWAN

|                                  | February   |         |        | January - February |         |        |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------|--------|--------------------|---------|--------|
|                                  | 2005       | 2004    | Change | 2005               | 2004    | Change |
|                                  | (\$ ' 000) |         | (%)    | (\$ ' 000)         |         | (%)    |
| Agriculture and Fishing Products | 18,400     | 20,700  | -11.1  | 37,600             | 38,500  | -2.3   |
| Energy Products                  | 5,400      | 2,200   | ---    | 9,900              | 5,300   | 86.8   |
| Forestry Products                | 1,800      | 1,900   | -5.3   | 3,500              | 3,300   | 6.1    |
| Industrial Goods                 | 131,000    | 124,700 | 5.1    | 257,300            | 224,800 | 14.5   |
| Machinery and Equipment          | 206,600    | 144,700 | 42.8   | 379,000            | 276,400 | 37.1   |
| Automotive Products              | 63,800     | 37,400  | 70.6   | 126,400            | 72,300  | 74.8   |
| Consumer Goods                   | 19,300     | 19,200  | 0.5    | 37,700             | 35,700  | 5.6    |
| Special Transactions             | 500        | 2,100   | -76.2  | 1,600              | 4,300   | -62.8  |
| Total Imports                    | 446,800    | 352,900 | 26.6   | 853,000            | 660,600 | 29.1   |

## RESTAURANT, CATERER, AND TAVERN RECEIPTS

|                             | February   |        |        | January - February |         |        |
|-----------------------------|------------|--------|--------|--------------------|---------|--------|
|                             | 2005p      | 2004r  | Change | 2005p              | 2004r   | Change |
|                             | (\$ ' 000) |        | (%)    | (\$ ' 000)         |         | (%)    |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>         |            |        |        |                    |         |        |
| Full Service Restaurants    | 31,113     | 29,759 | 4.6    | 63,063             | 60,216  | 4.7    |
| Limited Service Restaurants | 27,628     | 29,377 | -6.0   | 55,789             | 56,800  | -1.8   |
| Caterers                    | 2,810      | 2,551  | 10.1   | 5,461              | 5,009   | 9.0    |
| Taverns                     | 4,181      | 4,746  | -11.9  | 7,765              | 8,442   | -8.0   |
| Total                       | 65,732     | 66,433 | -1.1   | 132,077            | 130,467 | 1.2    |



# MINERAL PRODUCTION

|                     | Units of Measure | January  |       |            | January - December |        |            |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|-------|------------|--------------------|--------|------------|
|                     |                  | 2005     | 2004  | Change (%) | 2004               | 2003   | Change (%) |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b> |                  |          |       |            |                    |        |            |
| Crude Oil           | '000 m3          | 2,086    | 2,053 | 1.6        | 24,584             | 24,332 | 1.0        |
| Natural Gas         | '000,000 m3      | 802      | 764   | 4.9        | 9,409              | 9,050  | 4.0        |
|                     |                  | February |       |            | January - February |        |            |
|                     |                  | 2005p    | 2004  | Change (%) | 2005p              | 2004   | Change (%) |
| Salt                | '000 Tonnes      | 147      | 120   | 22.7       | 311                | 260    | 19.7       |
| Potash K2O          | '000 Tonnes      | 869      | 835   | 4.1        | 1,786              | 1,613  | 10.8       |
| Other*              | '000,000 Kgs     | 964      | 1,050 | -8.2       | 2,009              | 2,060  | -2.5       |

\* Includes Potassium Sulphate, Ammonium Sulphate, Bentonite, Coal and Uranium.  
Gold and Base metal will be included quarterly

# TOTAL SALES OF SELECTED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

|                               | December     |         |            | January - December |           |            |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------|------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|
|                               | 2004         | 2003    | Change (%) | 2004               | 2003      | Change (%) |
|                               | Cubic Metres |         |            | Cubic Metres       |           |            |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>           |              |         |            |                    |           |            |
| Propane & propane mixes       | 6,810        | 6,869   | -0.9       | 70,912             | 73,771    | -3.9       |
| Butane & butane mixes         | 2,952        | 4,730   | -37.6      | 21,183             | 55,621    | -61.9      |
| Aviation gasoline             | 126          | 181     | -30.4      | 4,214              | 5,877     | -28.3      |
| Motor gasoline                | 146,557      | 148,652 | -1.4       | 1,747,923          | 1,759,799 | -0.7       |
| Premium                       | 3,563        | 3,391   | 5.1        | 39,383             | 42,008    | -6.2       |
| Mid grade                     | 605          | 575     | 5.2        | 5,583              | 6,879     | -18.8      |
| Regular no-lead               | 142,389      | 144,686 | -1.6       | 1,702,918          | 1,710,912 | -0.5       |
| Aviation turbo fuel           | 4,652        | 5,147   | -9.6       | 57,538             | 60,557    | -5.0       |
| Kerosene stove oil            | 1,367        | 2,689   | -49.2      | 24,061             | 14,320    | 68.0       |
| Diesel fuel                   | 116,116      | 94,419  | 23.0       | 1,604,721          | 1,532,542 | 4.7        |
| Light fuel                    | 1,678        | 1,335   | 25.7       | 8,380              | 10,447    | -19.8      |
| Heavy fuel                    | 8,416        | 17,351  | -51.5      | 136,721            | 185,001   | -26.1      |
| Asphalt                       | 64           | 0       | —          | 119,647            | 148,672   | -19.5      |
| Lube oils & grease            | 4,496        | 3,832   | 17.3       | 61,469             | 63,180    | -2.7       |
| Total net sales, all products | 296,099      | 288,243 | 2.7        | 3,900,537          | 3,934,706 | -0.9       |

# SASK POWER ELECTRIC ENERGY STATISTICS

|                         | 4th Quarter |       |            | January - December |        |            |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------|------------|--------------------|--------|------------|
|                         | 2004        | 2003  | Change (%) | 2004               | 2003   | Change (%) |
|                         | GWh         |       |            | GWh                |        |            |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>     |             |       |            |                    |        |            |
| <b>Supply</b>           |             |       |            |                    |        |            |
| Coal Generated          | 2,986       | 3,005 | -0.6       | 12,302             | 11,731 | 4.9        |
| Natural Gas Generated   | 232         | 363   | -36.1      | 876                | 1,066  | -17.8      |
| Purchased Power         | 713         | 24    | -13.5      | 2,892              | 2,952  | -2.0       |
| Imports                 | 451         | 394   | 14.5       | 1,530              | 1,142  | 34.0       |
| Hydroelectric           | 792         | 632   | 25.4       | 2,745              | 3,416  | -19.6      |
| Other                   | 10          | 7     | 49.3       | 35                 | 20     | 73.0       |
| Interdepartmental Usage | -27         | -30   | -9.0       | -111               | -122   | -8.7       |
| Line Losses             | -523        | -433  | 20.9       | -1,837             | -1,695 | 8.4        |
| Total Supply            | 4,632       | 4,760 | -2.7       | 18,432             | 18,510 | -0.4       |
| <b>Disposition</b>      |             |       |            |                    |        |            |
| Residential             | 673         | 689   | -2.4       | 2,484              | 2,509  | -1.0       |
| Commercial              | 2,441       | 2,549 | -4.3       | 9,634              | 9,429  | 2.2        |
| Oilfields               | 526         | 478   | 10.5       | 2,165              | 2,082  | 4.0        |
| Farm                    | 359         | 356   | 0.9        | 1,350              | 1,442  | -6.4       |
| Reseller                | 324         | 323   | 0.2        | 1,261              | 1,287  | -2.1       |
| Exports                 | 308         | 355   | -13.3      | 1,538              | 1,761  | -12.7      |
| Total Disposition       | 4,632       | 4,760 | -2.7       | 18,432             | 18,510 | -0.4       |

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**  
1992 = 100

|   | All-items | Food  | Shelter | Household<br>Operations &<br>Furnishings | Clothing &<br>Footwear | Trans-<br>portation | Health &<br>Personal<br>Care | Recreation<br>Education &<br>Reading | Tobacco<br>& Alcohol |
|---|-----------|-------|---------|--|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                         |           |       |         |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| February, 2004                              | 127.2     | 122.4 | 136.0   | 113.3                                    | 108.4                  | 134.7               | 114.0                        | 128.8                                | 154.0                |
| March                                       | 127.5     | 122.4 | 136.2   | 113.2                                    | 109.6                  | 136.3               | 113.8                        | 127.9                                | 153.4                |
| April                                       | 128.4     | 121.6 | 136.5   | 114.1                                    | 110.2                  | 138.7               | 115.0                        | 128.0                                | 160.1                |
| May   | 129.7     | 123.4 | 136.7   | 114.4                                    | 109.6                  | 143.2               | 114.9                        | 129.5                                | 160.3                |
| June  | 129.9     | 125.1 | 136.6   | 114.1                                    | 109.9                  | 142.5               | 115.3                        | 129.5                                | 160.6                |
| July  | 130.1     | 124.6 | 137.1   | 114.4                                    | 110.4                  | 142.7               | 115.5                        | 129.7                                | 160.6                |
| August                                      | 129.5     | 123.5 | 137.4   | 114.4                                    | 110.8                  | 140.9               | 114.5                        | 129.2                                | 161.1                |
| September                                   | 129.7     | 123.7 | 137.4   | 114.6                                    | 112.0                  | 140.0               | 115.0                        | 130.6                                | 161.0                |
| October                                     | 130.5     | 124.6 | 140.1   | 113.9                                    | 112.8                  | 140.4               | 115.0                        | 130.6                                | 161.2                |
| November                                    | 131.3     | 126.6 | 140.2   | 114.7                                    | 110.1                  | 143.2               | 115.0                        | 130.3                                | 159.9                |
| December                                    | 130.9     | 126.3 | 140.3   | 114.3                                    | 110.1                  | 142.3               | 114.6                        | 129.9                                | 159.9                |
| January, 2005                               | 130.6     | 125.7 | 141.0   | 114.7                                    | 109.4                  | 140.3               | 114.9                        | 129.5                                | 160.2                |
| February                                    | 130.9     | 123.7 | 141.0   | 114.6                                    | 110.3                  | 142.8               | 115.2                        | 130.2                                | 159.8                |
| March                                       | 131.6     | 124.7 | 141.5   | 114.8                                    | 114.0                  | 144.1               | 115.4                        | 129.9                                | 159.8                |
| % change March, 2005<br>over February, 2005 | 0.5       | 0.8   | 0.4     | 0.2                                      | 3.4                    | 0.9                 | 0.2                          | -0.2                                 | 0.0                  |
| % change March, 2005<br>over March, 2004    | 3.2       | 1.9   | 3.9     | 1.4                                      | 4.0                    | 5.7                 | 1.4                          | 1.6                                  | 4.2                  |
| <b>Canada</b>                               |           |       |         |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| February, 2004                              | 123.2     | 123.4 | 119.0   | 115.2                                    | 104.0                  | 141.9               | 117.7                        | 126.6                                | 141.1                |
| March                                       | 123.6     | 123.6 | 119.0   | 115.3                                    | 105.3                  | 142.8               | 118.3                        | 127.3                                | 141.3                |
| April                                       | 123.9     | 123.4 | 119.6   | 115.6                                    | 103.8                  | 143.5               | 119.0                        | 127.1                                | 142.2                |
| May   | 125.0     | 124.4 | 119.8   | 115.4                                    | 102.8                  | 148.2               | 119.0                        | 128.4                                | 143.4                |
| June  | 125.1     | 125.6 | 120.3   | 115.0                                    | 101.9                  | 147.1               | 119.1                        | 128.5                                | 144.0                |
| July  | 125.0     | 125.6 | 120.6   | 114.9                                    | 100.9                  | 146.2               | 119.2                        | 128.9                                | 144.2                |
| August                                      | 124.8     | 125.3 | 120.9   | 115.0                                    | 101.8                  | 144.7               | 118.8                        | 128.6                                | 144.7                |
| September                                   | 124.9     | 124.7 | 121.2   | 115.4                                    | 104.9                  | 143.7               | 119.2                        | 129.4                                | 144.6                |
| October                                     | 125.2     | 125.3 | 121.8   | 115.0                                    | 105.4                  | 144.6               | 119.1                        | 128.4                                | 144.5                |
| November                                    | 125.7     | 126.6 | 122.2   | 115.1                                    | 103.2                  | 146.7               | 118.8                        | 127.4                                | 144.7                |
| December                                    | 125.4     | 127.2 | 122.3   | 115.3                                    | 100.8                  | 145.8               | 119.1                        | 126.9                                | 144.5                |
| January, 2005                               | 125.3     | 126.8 | 122.4   | 115.3                                    | 100.0                  | 146.3               | 119.0                        | 125.5                                | 145.1                |
| February                                    | 125.8     | 126.6 | 122.6   | 115.5                                    | 103.0                  | 147.0               | 119.7                        | 126.3                                | 145.2                |
| March                                       | 126.5     | 127.1 | 123.0   | 115.7                                    | 106.0                  | 148.3               | 120.0                        | 126.8                                | 146.3                |
| % change March, 2005<br>over February, 2005 | 0.6       | 0.4   | 0.3     | 0.2                                      | 2.9                    | 0.9                 | 0.3                          | 0.4                                  | 0.8                  |
| % change March, 2005<br>over March, 2004    | 2.3       | 2.8   | 3.4     | 0.3                                      | 0.7                    | 3.9                 | 1.4                          | -0.4                                 | 3.5                  |
| <b>Regina</b>                               |           |       |         |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| February, 2005                              | 131.7     |       | 143.2   |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| March                                       | 132.4     |       | 143.5   |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| % change March, 2005<br>over February, 2005 | 0.5       |       | 0.2     |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| % change March, 2005<br>over March, 2004    | 3.0       |       | 2.9     |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| <b>Saskatoon</b>                            |           |       |         |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| February, 2005                              | 130.0     |       | 135.4   |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| March                                       | 130.7     |       | 136.1   |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| % change March, 2005<br>over February, 2005 | 0.5       |       | 0.5     |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |
| % change March, 2005<br>over March, 2004    | 3.2       |       | 3.9     |  |                        |                     |                              |                                      |                      |

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